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09/681,586	05/02/2001	Victor V. Gogolak	597932000200	6777

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR GRAPHICALLY DEPICTING DRUG ADVERSE EFFECT RISKS

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# **Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)**

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 2675 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 2675 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

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	09/681,586	GOGOLAK, VICTOR V.	
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	BENJAMIN BUSS	2129	
The MAILING DATE of this communication appea.  All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RI of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313  1. This communication is responsive to an RCE filed 10/12/20	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED i or other appropriate comm IGHTS. This application is and MPEP 1308.	n this application. If not included unication will be mailed in due course. <b>THIS</b>	
2. ☑ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-28</u> .	<del></del>		
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**DETAILED ACTION** 

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This Office Action is in response to an RCE entered 10/12/2010 for the patent application 09/681,586 filed on 5/2/2001.

Claims 1-28 are pending.

**Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114** 

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this

application after allowance or after an Office action under Ex Parte Quayle, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213 (Comm'r Pat.

1935). Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR

1.17(e) has been timely paid, prosecution in this application has been reopened pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's

submission filed on 10/12/2010 has been entered.

**Information Disclosure Statement** 

The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 10/12/2010 was filed with the submission of an RCE. The

submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement has

been considered by the examiner and placed in the file.

**Drawings** 

The drawings were received on 11/2/2010. These drawings are acceptable.

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT** 

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to

applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it

MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The specification has been amended as follows:

Replaced ¶[0039] on page 10 of the specification as originally filed with:

"Figures 1A and 1B are a chart indicating the page flow of the present invention;"

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### Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-28 are considered allowable since when reading the claims in light of the specification, as per MPEP - §2111.01 or In re Sneed, 710 F.2d 1544, 1548, 218 USPQ 385, 388 (Fed. Cir. 1983), none of the references of record alone or in combination disclose or suggest the combination of limitations specified in the independent claims including "maintaining a consistent vocabulary by using a correlator to process a vector comprising a plurality of categorical terms" and "wherein the plurality of categorical terms sent to the correlator are therapeutic categories" (supported in the specification as filed at e.g., ¶¶67-68,147,154-157), as specified in independent claims 1 and 15.

All of the claims are tied to hardware as a "computer system" or a "computer-implemented method", and the hardware achieves the status of being a "particular machine" for the purposes of 35 U.S.C. §101 in being applied to the substantial practical application of displaying analyzed risks of either a substance of interest or a drug of interest.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

#### **Correspondence Information**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BENJAMIN BUSS whose telephone number is (571)272-5831. The examiner can normally be reached on at least Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday 9AM-5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Donald Sparks can be reached on 571-272-4201. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Benjamin Buss Examiner Art Unit 2129

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